GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
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Modernization of Dhubri River Port
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Dhubri river port on the bank of river Brahmaputra is presently lying idle and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received requests from various quarters for re-opening and modernization of Dhubri Port at international level for trade with neighbouring countries and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;

(c) whether Government has allocated or proposes to allocate funds for revival of Dhubri Port;
(d) if so, the details thereof; and
(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a): No, Madam. A floating terminal is being maintained which caters to the operations of two Roll-on Roll-off vessels of Inland Water Transport Directorate of the Government of Assam and other private boat operators.
(b)to(e):In view of the potential of the Dhubri river for transportation of goods to Meghalaya and other parts of Assam, and its strategic location near the international border including the demands from various quarters of Assam, a project for development of a Roll-on Roll-off (Ro-Ro) terminal at Dhubri at a cost of Rs. 46.69 crore has been sanctioned in 2012. This work is being done by the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) will facilitate safe navigation of men and material from Dhubri to Hatsingmari on the opposite bank of river Brahmaputra.
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